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AFFORESTATION IN THE COUNTRY
CHINMAYANAND;RATILAL KALIDAS VARMA

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) The targets set and achieved, separately, for afforestation in the country under the Ninth Five Year Plan, State-wise;

(b) The total funds allocated and spent during the said plan period, State-wise; and

(c) The steps taken by the Government to achieve the targets within the stipulated time?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTES (SHRI T.R. BALLU)

(a) to (c) The major Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Ministry of Environment and Forestsin which afforestation activities are undertaken are as under;
i. Integrated Afforestation and Eco-Development Project Scheme (IAEPS)
ii. Area Oriented Fuel-wood and Fodder Project Scheme (AOFFP)
iii. Conservation and Development on Non Timber Forest Produce including medicinal plants Scheme (NTFP)
iv. Association of Scheduled Tribal and Rural Poor in Regeneration of Degraded Forest on Unufruct Sharing Basis Scheme (ASTRP)

The State-wise details of financial progress and physical progress achieved under the programme are attached in the statement −I and IIrespectively. In respect of ASTRP an areaof 10639 ha. Has been covered against a target of 16,747 ha. The Performance of the schemes are reviewed periodically through quarterly and annual progress reports. Subsequently release of funds is subject to satisfactory utilization of funds.